

March 2025 Newsletter



Welcome to our March newsletter.

It was lovely to see so many of you at our recent parent meetings. Don't forget, If you were unable to make it, and would like to arrange an alternative date, please contact the school office by emailing admin@woodcotschool.co.uk

Red Nose Day - Friday 21st March 2025

Wear something red for a £1 donation (non-school uniform).

Bake Sale:

Young Governors will be holding a bake sale, at the end of the day, on the KS1 playground.

Cake Donations

Please bring in any cake donations to the school office on the morning of Friday 21st March 2025.



Attendance Matters

At Woodcot, we believe good attendance is vital for a child to achieve their **full potential**.

We aim to promote good attendance by providing a **safe and motivating environment** for all children.

We believe that: **every child matters, every day matters, every minute matters**

Therefore, it is really important that your child attends school, on time, every day.

We monitor attendance and lateness closely. If we notice a concern, we will contact you via text, phone call or letter.

If you need support with your child's attendance, or getting them to school on time, please reach out to a member of the attendance team or your child's class teacher.

Every Minute Counts

Always on time!	No hours missed!	No learning missed!
5 minutes late each day	15 hours missed	3 days learning missed
10 minutes late every day	32 hours missed	6.5 days learning missed
20 minutes late each day	65 hours missed	13 days learning missed
30 minutes late each day	95 hours missed	19 days learning missed

'90% attendance' or 'only 5 minutes late' may sound like small issues, but the amount of learning missed is huge!

Last Day of Term

Early Finish

On the last day of term (Friday 4th April 2025), school will be finishing at 1:30pm.

Please ensure you collect your child promptly at this time.



The first day back to school is Tuesday 22nd April 2025.

Easter Disco

Our Easter Disco is on:

Tuesday 1st April 2025

Key Stage 1: 4pm - 5pm

Key Stage 2: 5:15pm- 6:15pm

Look out for more information from Friends of Woodcot

Come along to our coffee mornings for a cuppa and a chat.

Mrs Wood, our Family Support Co-ordinator, will be running coffee mornings (8:45am - 9:30am). These will be held in the Woodland Room (the little house on the KS2 playground) on the following dates:



Monday 31st March

Monday 19th May

Monday 14 July

Easter Bonnet Competition

On Friday 4th April 2025, we will be holding an 'Easter Bonnet Competition.' Children need to make their Easter bonnet, at home, and wear it into school.

Children should come into school wearing school uniform.



Diary Dates

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Red Nose Day: Friday 21st March 2025

Easter Disco: Tuesday 1st April 2025

Share you Child's Learning: Thursday 3rd April 2025

Easter Bonnet Competition: Friday 4th April 2025

End of term: Friday 4th April 2025 at 1:30pm

Return to School: Tuesday 22nd April 2025

INSET Day: Thursday 1st May 2025

Class Photos: Friday 2nd May 2025

Year 6 SATs: Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May 2025

Year 5 Stubbington Residential: Monday 19th - Friday 23rd May 2025

May Half Term: Friday 23rd May 2025

Return to school: Monday 2nd June 2025

Sports Day: 25th June 2025 (morning)

Reports to Parents - Friday 4th July 2025



Primary age children undertake the following National Assessment Tests:

Year 1

National Phonics Check

Week commencing 9th June 2025

Year 4

Multiplication Checks

Week commencing 2nd June 2025

Year 6

Key Stage 2 SATS

Mon 12th May – Thurs 15th May 2025

Please note - Guidance from Hampshire County Council states that parents will be fined if children miss a national test for any unauthorised reason.

Attendance

If your child is unwell, please phone, text or email admin@woodcotschool.co.uk We must be notified on each day your child is absent.

The school or local authority can fine parents for the unauthorised absence of their child from school

If your child has 10 sessions of unauthorised absence, within the last 100 possible sessions, a penalty notice (fine) can be issued.

Holidays will not be approved under any circumstances

Holiday Dates

Click the link below for our school term time and holiday dates:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schoolholidays>

After School Club

After school club runs from 3.10pm - 4.30pm every day. The cost is £6.00 per session and it is suitable for all year groups. Please book and pay for the sessions you need, via Arbor, at the beginning of the week.



Summer School Uniform

Hopefully, after Easter, we can start to look forward to warmer weather and children may want to wear shorts, sandals and summer dresses. Just a reminder that our school dresses are yellow gingham and are widely available online. Sandals must be suitable for running around in safely during break and lunch time (no flip flops or crocs).

